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**SPECIAL NOTICE**

**MAJOR CHANGES TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REQUIREMENTS**

The U.S. EPA has issued major changes to the Underground Storage Tank (“UST”) regulations. These cover UST’s in Illinois that contain petroleum products, used oils, and certain hazardous substances. UST’s that are not covered include tanks that store heating oil or hazardous wastes, septic tanks that collect stormwater or wastewater, flow-through process tanks, and emergency spill and overfill tanks.

There are a great many changes to the UST requirements. But in a nutshell, the following is worth noting for UST’s that were installed on or before October 13, 2015:

- No later than October 13, 2018, you must begin conducting walkthrough inspections every 30 days (or before each delivery if you receive deliveries less frequently than every 30 days) to make sure your equipment is working properly. Records of each inspection are to be kept for one year.
- No later than October 13, 2018, you must have designated Class A, B, and C operators and trained them on their UST responsibilities. You must keep a list of currently designated operators trained and proof of training for each operator.
- No later than October 13, 2018, you must test your spill prevention equipment at least every three years for liquid tightness or use a double-walled spill bucket with periodic interstitial monitoring.
- No later than October 13, 2018, you must begin inspecting your spill prevention equipment at least every 30 days (or before each delivery if you receive deliveries less frequently than every 30 days).
- No later than October 13, 2018, you must perform your first annual release detection equipment test to make sure components such as probes, sensors, and automatic line leak detectors are working properly. You must keep records of these tests for three years.

The Federal Register has 117 pages of explanation, discussion and guidance on the very specific and detailed changes.

**Our professional staff is available to assess your situation and to prepare an up-to-date SPCC for your facility.** At **Admiral**, we have 30 years of experience meeting the needs of industry. Please call us today at (847) 228-5355.

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